

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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IMPLEMENTATION OF IDSMT & AUWSP
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total amount utilized by the Government of Gujarat out of the allocated amount for the implementation of the Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT), Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP) and shelter and sanitation for footpath dwellers during each of the last three years;
- (b) the progress made during the last three years, scheme-wise;
- (c) whether the Government of Gujarat has not utilized the sanctioned funds during the period;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether any guidelines/instructions have been issued to the Government of Gujarat to ensure timely utilization of funds; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)&(b): The details of funds allocated to the State of Gujarat and its utilization report by the State during last three years under the integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT) and Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP) are given below:

Rs. in lakhs				
Year	IDSMT	AUWSP		
	Central Assistance	Expenditure Reported	Funds released	Funds Utilized
2005-06	1092.71	1475.99	212.84	212.84
2006-07	718.17	1260.53	296.42	296.42
2007-08	NIL	490.97	171.32	22.22
2008-09	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

IDSMT and AUWSP schemes have been subsumed in the newly launched Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns (UIDSSMT) since December 2005 and since then no fresh projects have been sanctioned under these two schemes. The Ministry of Urban Development does not implement any exclusive scheme for shelter and sanitation for footpath dwellers.

(c)&(d): The implementation period for projects sanctioned under the AUWSP scheme is two to three years. The utilization certificates for an amount of Rs. 149.10 lakhs out of Rs. 171.32 lakhs released during the financial year 2007-08 for AUWSP are yet to be received.

(e)&(f): All the State Governments have been issued guidelines/instructions to ensure timely utilization of funds and submit quarterly progress reports and utilization certificates to this Ministry on a regular basis and reminders in this regard are issued from time to time.